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Blackhead Disease Mini-Symposium at the 2016 AVMA convention in San Antonio, TX

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Histomoniasis (blackhead disease) is a serious threat to the turkey and gamebird industries. As the center responsible for approving safe and effective animal drugs, the Food and Drug Administration's Center for Veterinary Medicine (CVM) recognizes that available approved treatment options are limited. More research and development of new drugs that prevent, treat, or control blackhead disease is needed. CVM believes this can be achieved by the animal health industry, the turkey and gamebird industries, academia, and relevant government agencies working together.

The American Association of Avian Pathologists (AAAP) recently sent a call for papers to be presented at the *Blackhead Disease Mini-Symposium*. The mini-symposium will be held during the 2016 AVMA Convention in San Antonio, TX from August 5 to 9, 2016. This will be an important opportunity for experts to discuss blackhead disease and collaborate on potential treatments. CVM encourages colleagues to submit abstracts and participate in the mini-symposium. The deadline to submit an abstract is **November 30, 2015**.

If you are an AAAP member, please submit your abstract using the following link: http://form.jotform.us/form/51664497312156.

If you are not an AAAP member, please contact Dr. Steven Clark (steven.clark@devenishnutrition.com) to submit your abstract.

If you need more information about the mini-symposium, please contact Dr. Steven Clark (steven.clark@devenishnutrition.com) or Dr. Prajwal Regmi (prajwal.regmi@fda.hhs.gov).

Thank you,

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